

## THE REAL STORY OF THE COMPLAINTS IN THE FEDERAL CASE AGAINST LABOR MEN



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The two biggest electrical corporations in the United States are named as complaining witnesses against the labor men and Chicago electrical manufacturers indicted by the federal grand jury Tuesday.

These two corporations, the General Electric Co. of Schenectady, N. Y., and the Westinghouse Electric Mfg. Co. of Pittsburgh, are the head and feet, the stomach and backbone, of what is known as the "national electrical trust." They hold more

patents and sell more electrical stuff along their line than everybody else in the electrical game in the United States. They come close to being a real, eat-'em-alive monopoly. They have been known to crush competitors as easily as an elephant steps on egg shells.

Down under the wholesale indictments on Tuesday stands out the big fact that the national electrical trust could not do all the business it wanted to in Chicago. The little Chicago manufacturers fixed a contract with the electrical workers' union so that union men wouldn't handle anything but Chicago-made goods. The best and quickest way for the national electrical trust to break into the Chicago market and sell goods here and get the unions to handle their goods was to smash the alliance between the little electrical trust of Chicago